American Correctional Association

SUPPORTING THE AMENDMENT OF FEDERAL OMB CIRCULAR A-87
IN ORDER TO ALLOW CORRECTIONAL INDUSTRY PROGRAMS
TO KEEP RETAINED EARNINGS

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WHEREAS, the American Correctional Association (ACA) has been steadfast in its support of correctional industry programs; and,

WHEREAS, ACA recognizes that correctional industry programs provide offenders with much needed work skills and work ethics that enhance employability upon release; and,

WHEREAS, ACA recognizes that correctional industry programs reduce institutional idleness and therefore enhance safety and security for correctional employees and offenders alike; and,

WHEREAS, ACA recognizes that correctional industry programs reduce recidivism and therefore enhance public safety to our nation’s communities; and

WHEREAS, ACA supports and desires the continued growth and expansion of correctional industry programs; and,

WHEREAS, correctional industry programs are self-supporting entities that produce a diverse line of quality products and services that generate revenues/retained earnings that in turn are utilized for various industry expenses including maintaining existing industry programs as well as the development of new and expanded industry programs; and,

WHEREAS, Federal OMB Circular A-87 restricts the amount of earnings that can be retained by correctional industry programs when federal funding is either wholly or partially utilized in the procurement of correctional industry products and services; and,

WHEREAS, any restriction of correctional industry earnings negatively impacts correctional industry’s ability to maintain existing industry programs and to expand and develop new industry programs; and now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that ACA hereby supports the amending of Federal OMB Circular A-87 to authorize correctional industry programs to keep all retained earnings regardless of funding source.
This resolution was adopted by the American Correctional Association Delegate Assembly at the 142nd Congress of Correction in Denver, CO in July 2012. It was reviewed and reaffirmed at the 2018 Winter Conference in Orlando, Florida on January 9, 2018.